

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A digital watermark embedding apparatus comprises below units. A first generation unit generates a plurality of symbol sequences each of which includes a plurality of symbols including ranks, each of the ranks being uniquely numbered among each of the symbol sequences, each of the symbol sequences uniquely corresponding to each of a plurality of identification information items to be embedded as digital watermark information into each of copies of digital contents. A second generation generates a plurality of to-be-embedded codes corresponding to each of the symbols in each of the symbol sequences. An embedding unit embeds the to-be-embedded codes in each of the copies.

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